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April 1, 2021

The Honorable Todd Hunter
Chairman
House Committee on Redistricting
State Capitol, EXT E2.158
Austin, Texas 78768

RE: 2021 Legislative Redistricting Process – West Texas Region

Dear Chairman Hunter,

Chairman Hunter and members of the committee, for the record my name is Steve Verett and I currently serve as the CEO of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. It is an honor to provide written remarks for the committee's consideration as the process of redistricting continues throughout the 87th Texas Legislative Session.

The work that you and your committee are doing is vitally important to the State of Texas and will impact the lives of all Texans for the next decade and beyond. As mentioned in the hearing notice, the focus of this hearing is on the West Texas Region.

As the committee is aware, the vast majority of the West Texas Region today is made up of roughly 17-State Representatives, 4-State Senators and 6-Congressional Members, all of which represent unique constituencies and have complimentary agriculture industry segments in each district that are distinctive to the West Texas Region.

While I understand you will hear testimony from the State Demographer regarding population projections for the State, which will have an impact on redistricting, I also would like the committee in its deliberation of redrawing districts to respectfully consider the demography and footprint of the agriculture industry that currently exists today in the West Texas Region.

As you may know, agriculture is the second largest sector and economic impact to the State. One of the reasons Texas agriculture has been able to thrive even in uncertain times, is because we have strong and balanced representation in Washington D.C. and Austin, Texas by both political parties respectively based on how districts are currently drawn.

The most recent United States Department of Agriculture Census Data taken for the 6 Congressional Districts currently located in the West Texas Region that essentially overlap the 17-State Representative and 4-State Senator districts are enclosed in order to provide additional details on demographics of the agriculture sector in the region for the committee's information and consideration.



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I know this will be a deliberative process and I wish you and your committee members the very best endeavor and offer any help that I can provide to help in the work that lies ahead.

Regards,

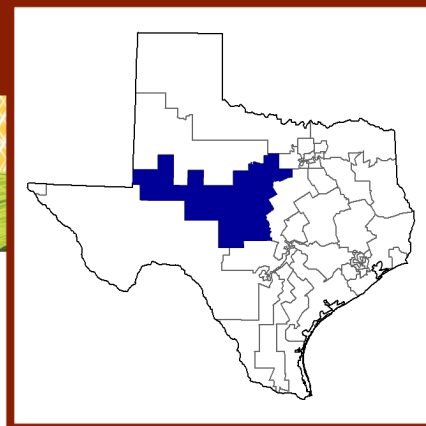
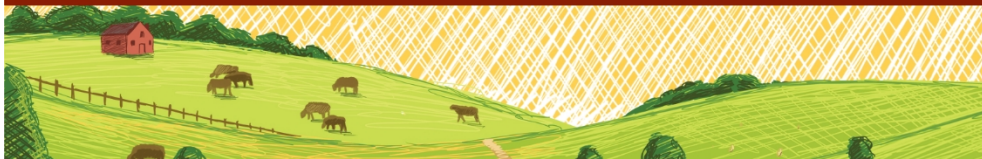
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Steve Verett
CEO
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

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Texas 11th District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	20,886
Land in farms (acres)	15,547,323
Average size of farm (acres)	744
Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	1,239,636,000
Government payments	55,547,000
Farm-related income	116,245,000
Total farm production expenses	1,272,553,000
Net cash farm income	138,875,000
Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	59,352
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	14,203
Farm-related income	19,504
Total farm production expenses	60,929
Net cash farm income	6,649

5 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	35
Livestock, poultry, and products	65

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	18
Pastureland	76
Woodland	5
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 223,627

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	11
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	9,767	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2,198	11
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2,379	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2,534	12
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,378	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,053	5
\$100,000 or more	1,577	8

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	1,603	8
10 to 49 acres	5,062	24
50 to 179 acres	5,399	26
180 to 499 acres	3,941	19
500 to 999 acres	1,897	9
1,000 + acres	2,984	14



Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	1,239,636	5	36	87	431
Crops	432,830	4	36	102	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	50,879	12	34	143	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	271,755	4	27	8	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	7,223	9	35	188	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	24,773	3	35	68	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	24,508	11	34	166	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	8	16	17	207	326
Other crops and hay	53,683	4	35	63	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	806,806	6	36	62	422
Poultry and eggs	553	18	36	202	404
Cattle and calves	457,525	3	36	29	396
Milk from cows	306,123	3	20	36	312
Hogs and pigs	991	6	32	130	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	2	35	8	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	4	36	25	393
Aquaculture	1,319	6	24	99	328
Other animals and animal products	3,580	6	34	67	413

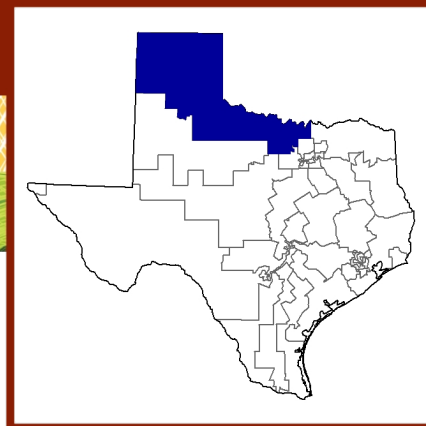
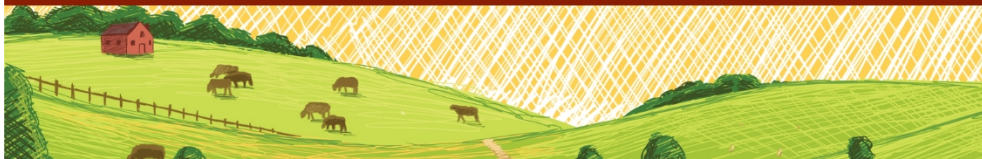
Total Producers ^c	34,595	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex			
Male	21,427	Have internet access	75
Female	13,168		
Age		Farm organically	(Z)
<35	1,839		
35 – 64	18,280		
65 and older	14,476		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	2
American Indian/Alaska Native	252		
Asian	73		
Black or African American	85		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	8		
White	33,930	Hire farm labor	21
More than one race	247		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	2,258		
With military service	4,183		
New and beginning farmers	10,099		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	6,948
		Cattle and calves	942,436
		Goats	173,814
		Hogs and pigs	6,142
		Horses and ponies	22,062
		Layers	42,121
		Pullets	5,711
		Sheep and lambs	204,693
		Turkeys	714

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Texas 13th District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	19,229
Land in farms (acres)	22,289,498
Average size of farm (acres)	1,159
Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	8,790,318,000
Government payments	214,954,000
Farm-related income	208,988,000
Total farm production expenses	7,416,328,000
Net cash farm income	1,797,932,000
Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	457,139
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	29,277
Farm-related income	31,361
Total farm production expenses	385,685
Net cash farm income	93,501

35 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	15
Livestock, poultry, and products	85

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	32
Pastureland	66
Woodland	2
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 1,305,046

6% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	7
Reduced till	9
Intensive till	12
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	8,244	43
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1,475	8
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1,794	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2,044	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	1,507	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,077	6
\$100,000 or more	3,088	16

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	1,436	7
10 to 49 acres	4,075	21
50 to 179 acres	4,371	23
180 to 499 acres	3,397	18
500 to 999 acres	2,130	11
1,000 + acres	3,820	20



Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	8,790,318	1	36	7	431
Crops	1,312,139	2	36	40	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	660,636	1	34	38	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	498,321	2	27	2	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	52,938	4	35	64	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	8,378	8	35	116	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	9,760	18	34	280	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	11	14	17	204	326
Other crops and hay	82,096	2	35	42	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	7,478,179	1	36	4	422
Poultry and eggs	(D)	16	36	(D)	404
Cattle and calves	6,535,854	1	36	3	396
Milk from cows	768,195	1	20	11	312
Hogs and pigs	147,905	1	32	36	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	3,104	5	35	58	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	16,650	1	36	12	393
Aquaculture	(D)	4	24	(D)	328
Other animals and animal products	3,011	12	34	85	413

Total Producers ^c	31,502	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex			
Male	20,154	Have internet access	75
Female	11,348		
Age		Farm organically	(Z)
<35	2,224		
35 – 64	17,303		
65 and older	11,975		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	2
American Indian/Alaska Native	204		
Asian	75		
Black or African American	56		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	4		
White	30,886	Hire farm labor	24
More than one race	277		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	95
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1,133		
With military service	3,518		
New and beginning farmers	8,694		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	18,454
		Cattle and calves	3,713,997
		Goats	22,206
		Hogs and pigs	938,270
		Horses and ponies	30,630
		Layers	35,596
		Pullets	4,881
		Sheep and lambs	17,686
		Turkeys	347

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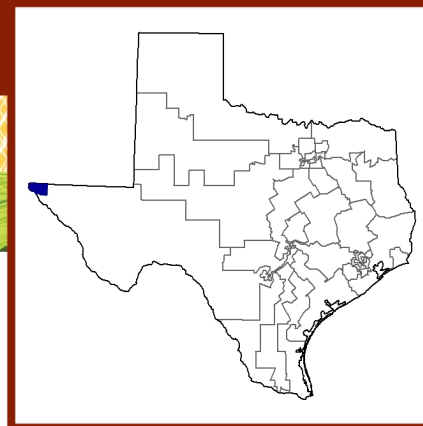
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Texas 16th District



Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	358
Land in farms (acres)	83,720
Average size of farm (acres)	234
Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	20,176,000
Government payments	(D)
Farm-related income	1,719,000
Total farm production expenses	23,753,000
Net cash farm income	-1,635,000
Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	56,356
Government payments	(D)
(average per farm receiving)	(D)
Farm-related income	25,650
Total farm production expenses	66,350
Net cash farm income	-4,566

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	97
Livestock, poultry, and products	3

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	21
Pastureland	76
Woodland	1
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 14,821

18% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	-
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	229	64
\$2,500 to \$4,999	50	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	25	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	8	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8	2
\$100,000 or more	15	4

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	255	71
10 to 49 acres	62	17
50 to 179 acres	13	4
180 to 499 acres	13	4
500 to 999 acres	5	1
1,000 + acres	10	3



Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	20,176	27	36	335	431
Crops	19,524	25	36	325	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	33	34	335	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	3,046	17	27	70	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	35	-	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	15,775	4	35	85	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	34	-	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	17	-	326
Other crops and hay	(D)	26	35	307	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	651	31	36	352	422
Poultry and eggs	9	29	36	288	404
Cattle and calves	135	33	36	337	396
Milk from cows	-	-	20	-	312
Hogs and pigs	18	25	32	233	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	48	26	35	298	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	53	29	36	318	393
Aquaculture	-	-	24	-	328
Other animals and animal products	388	24	34	217	413

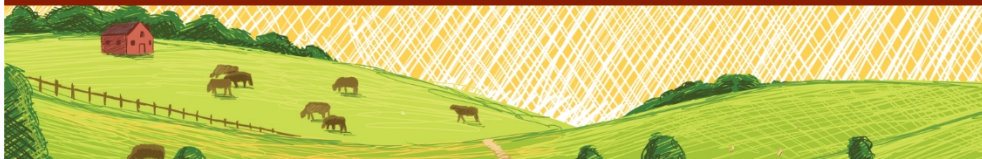
Total Producers ^c	568	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access 77	Pecans, all 7,136
Male 352			Cotton, all 3,400
Female 216			Forage (hay/haylage), all 1,648
Age		Farm organically (Z)	Wheat for grain, all (D)
<35 44			Land in Berries (D)
35 – 64 324			
65 and older 200			
Race		Sell directly to consumers 8	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native 7			Broilers and other meat-type chickens 15
Asian 10			Cattle and calves 632
Black or African American -		Hire farm labor 32	Goats 1,261
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -			Hogs and pigs 274
White 545			Horses and ponies 648
More than one race 6		Are family farms 99	Layers 930
Other characteristics			Pullets (D)
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 316			Sheep and lambs 1,016
With military service 91			Turkeys (D)
New and beginning farmers 179			

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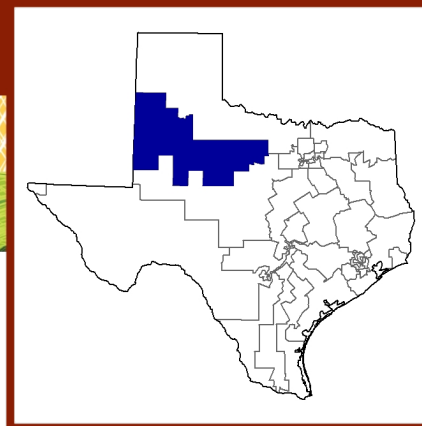
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Texas 19th District



Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	14,252
Land in farms (acres)	15,108,704
Average size of farm (acres)	1,060
Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	4,845,855,000
Government payments	209,918,000
Farm-related income	301,616,000
Total farm production expenses	4,297,183,000
Net cash farm income	1,060,206,000
Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	340,012
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	25,706
Farm-related income	48,452
Total farm production expenses	301,514
Net cash farm income	74,390

19 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	35
Livestock, poultry, and products	65

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	53
Pastureland	44
Woodland	1
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 1,745,242

12% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	7
Reduced till	12
Intensive till	24
Cover crop	7

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	6,778	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	795	6
\$5,000 to \$9,999	984	7
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1,148	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	824	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	728	5
\$100,000 or more	2,995	21

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	939	7
10 to 49 acres	1,916	13
50 to 179 acres	3,342	23
180 to 499 acres	2,744	19
500 to 999 acres	1,869	13
1,000 + acres	3,442	24



Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	4,845,855	2	36	15	431
Crops	1,677,772	1	36	30	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	314,139	2	34	61	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	1,162,830	1	27	1	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	28,590	5	35	94	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	10,132	7	35	106	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	28	34	355	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	15	17	(D)	326
Other crops and hay	159,707	1	35	22	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	3,168,083	2	36	13	422
Poultry and eggs	(D)	8	36	(D)	404
Cattle and calves	2,352,027	2	36	8	396
Milk from cows	762,509	2	20	12	312
Hogs and pigs	1,755	3	32	116	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	35	(D)	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	5,913	8	36	46	393
Aquaculture	(D)	23	24	188	328
Other animals and animal products	807	21	34	177	413

Total Producers ^c	22,970	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d		
Sex					
Male	14,592	Have internet access	Cotton, all	2,849,896	
Female	8,378		72	Wheat for grain, all	536,342
Age			Sorghum for grain	325,269	
<35	1,465	Farm organically	Forage (hay/haylage), all	242,095	
35 – 64	12,500		(Z)	Corn for grain	236,083
65 and older	9,005				
Race					
American Indian/Alaska Native	106	Sell directly to consumers			
Asian	39		2		
Black or African American	47				
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor			
White	22,613		29		
More than one race	165				
Other characteristics					
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1,202	Are family farms			
With military service	2,181		93		
New and beginning farmers	6,592				

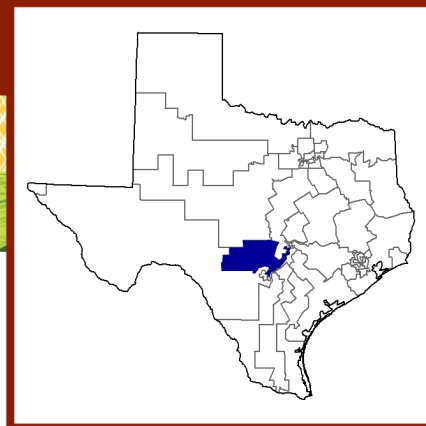
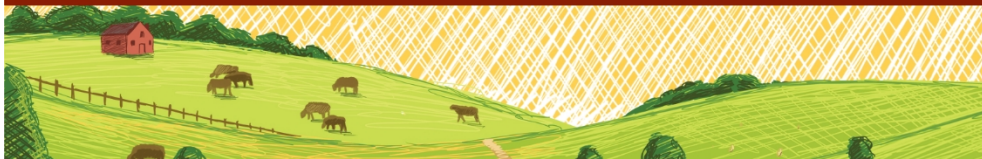
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2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE Congressional District Profile



Texas 21st District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	8,076
Land in farms (acres)	2,999,190
Average size of farm (acres)	371
Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	96,177,000
Government payments	3,402,000
Farm-related income	28,096,000
Total farm production expenses	199,237,000
Net cash farm income	-71,561,000
Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	11,909
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,163
Farm-related income	14,147
Total farm production expenses	24,670
Net cash farm income	-8,861

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	24
Livestock, poultry, and products	76

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	7
Pastureland	79
Woodland	12
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 8,437

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	4,613	57
\$2,500 to \$4,999	989	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	958	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	828	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	358	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	213	3
\$100,000 or more	117	1

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	718	9
10 to 49 acres	2,609	32
50 to 179 acres	1,997	25
180 to 499 acres	1,358	17
500 to 999 acres	662	8
1,000 + acres	732	9



United States Department of Agriculture
National Agricultural Statistics Service

www.nass.usda.gov/AgCensus

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	96,177	22	36	269	431
Crops	23,499	23	36	317	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	2,047	23	34	273	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	25	27	98	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,003	18	35	275	418
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Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	5	17	(D)	326
Other crops and hay	3,090	22	35	259	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	72,678	18	36	214	422
Poultry and eggs	2,989	13	36	176	404
Cattle and calves	51,560	18	36	138	396
Milk from cows	(D)	18	20	239	312
Hogs and pigs	(D)	10	32	(D)	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	8,612	4	35	25	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	4,552	12	36	56	393
Aquaculture	4	19	24	176	328
Other animals and animal products	4,234	4	34	56	413

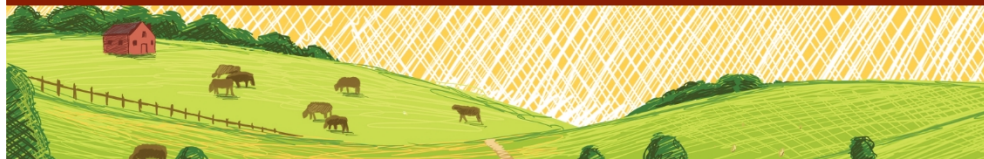
Total Producers ^c	13,946	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex			
Male	8,082	Have internet access	77
Female	5,864		
Age		Farm organically	(Z)
<35	550		
35 – 64	7,070		
65 and older	6,326		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	5
American Indian/Alaska Native	64		
Asian	40		
Black or African American	17		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	18		
White	13,695	Hire farm labor	18
More than one race	112		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	939		
With military service	1,862		
New and beginning farmers	3,485		

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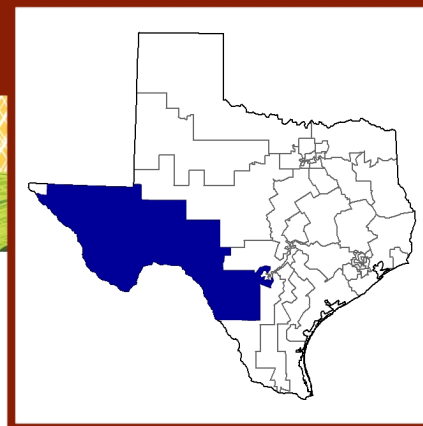
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Texas 23rd District



Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	9,676
Land in farms (acres)	27,813,527
Average size of farm (acres)	2,874
Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	831,884,000
Government payments	19,770,000
Farm-related income	81,425,000
Total farm production expenses	882,440,000
Net cash farm income	50,640,000
Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	85,974
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	17,875
Farm-related income	28,926
Total farm production expenses	91,199
Net cash farm income	5,234

3 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	45
Livestock, poultry, and products	55

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	4
Pastureland	93
Woodland	2
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 280,426

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	4,891	51
\$2,500 to \$4,999	838	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1,037	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	957	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	614	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	433	4
\$100,000 or more	906	9

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	828	9
10 to 49 acres	2,287	24
50 to 179 acres	1,962	20
180 to 499 acres	1,419	15
500 to 999 acres	815	8
1,000 + acres	2,365	24



Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	831,884	9	36	119	431
Crops	376,275	6	36	117	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	51,576	11	34	141	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	78,318	6	27	21	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	77,374	1	35	47	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	2	35	62	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	94,780	3	34	37	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	3	17	(D)	326
Other crops and hay	41,517	5	35	76	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	455,609	9	36	113	422
Poultry and eggs	(D)	19	36	208	404
Cattle and calves	404,893	5	36	31	396
Milk from cows	3,903	11	20	199	312
Hogs and pigs	493	13	32	150	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	35,755	1	35	4	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	3,749	13	36	67	393
Aquaculture	(D)	13	24	150	328
Other animals and animal products	6,256	3	34	36	413

Total Producers ^c	16,127	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex			
Male	10,485	Have internet access	70
Female	5,642		
Age		Farm organically	(Z)
<35	850		
35 – 64	8,858		
65 and older	6,419		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	3
American Indian/Alaska Native	161		
Asian	32		
Black or African American	81		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	7		
White	15,728	Hire farm labor	27
More than one race	118		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	94
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	4,155		
With military service	2,119		
New and beginning farmers	4,466		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	6,877
		Cattle and calves	563,099
		Goats	264,266
		Hogs and pigs	3,178
		Horses and ponies	15,746
		Layers	29,308
		Pullets	1,904
		Sheep and lambs	234,832
		Turkeys	1,950

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